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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Monday, 10 December 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

SECURITY COUNCIL WORKING GROUP ON PEACEKEEPING OPERATIONS

10.30 a.m. closed meeting Consultation Room

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m. 81st PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Appointment of members of the Joint Inspection Unit: note by the Secretary-General (A/56/107) [17 (g)]

2. Return or restitution of cultural property to the countries of origin [33]

   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/413)

   (b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.41)

3 p.m. 82nd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples [18]

   (a) Report of the Special Committee on the Situation with regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples on the work during 2001 (A/56/23 (Parts I-III)

   (b) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/56/61, A/56/65 and A/56/159)

   (c) Draft resolutions (A/56/23 (Part III), Chapter XIII, G-para.7; A/56/L.40)

2. Effects of atomic radiation: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/547) [85]

(continued overleaf)

3. International cooperation in the peaceful uses of outer space: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/548) [86]

4. United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine Refugees in the Near East: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/549) [87]

5. Report of the Special Committee to Investigate Israeli Practices Affecting the Human Rights of the Palestinian People and Other Arabs of the Occupied Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/550) [88]

6. Comprehensive review of the whole question of peacekeeping operations in all their aspects: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/551) [89]

7. Questions relating to information: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/552) [90]

8. Information from Non-Self-Governing Territories transmitted under Article 73 *e* of the Charter of the United Nations: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/553) [91]

9. Economic and other activities which affect the interests of the peoples of the Non-Self-Governing Territories; implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/554) [92 and 18]

10. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations; report of the Economic and Social Council: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/555) [93 and 12]

11. Offers by Member States of study and training facilities for inhabitants of Non-Self-Governing Territories: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/556) [94]

12. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: report of the Special Political and Decolonization Committee (Fourth Committee) (A/56/557) [18]

13. Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples: draft resolutions (A/56/23 (Part III), Chapter XIII, G-para.7; A/56/L.40) [18]

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

10 a.m. - 1 p.m. — informal consultations (closed) — Conference Room 6

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolutions, A/C.2/56/L.37 (item 95 (a)), A/C.2/56/L.2, A/C.2/56/L.3 and A/C.2/56/L.52 (item 95 (c))

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.20 (item 98), A/C.2/56/L.15 (item 98 (b)) and A/C.2/56/L.5 (item103)

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Garfield Barnwell (Guyana), Vice-Chairman of the Second Committee, on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.18 and A/C.2/56/L.26 (item 96 (a)), A/C.2/56/L.25 (item 96 (b)), A/C.2/56/L.21 (item 97 (a)), A/C.2/56/L.24 (item 97 (b)) and A/C.2/56/L.23 (item 97 (d))

3 p.m. — 38th meeting — Conference Room 2

1. Macroeconomic policy questions [95]

   (c) Science and technology for development

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.3 and L.52

2. Sustainable development and international economic cooperation: high-level dialogue on strengthening international cooperation for development through partnership [97 (c)]

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.22 and L.56

3. Environment and sustainable development [98]

   d) Convention on Biological Diversity

   Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.9 and L.58

(g) Promotion of new and renewable sources of energy, including the implementation of the World Solar Programme 1996-2005

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.8 and L.57

4. Operational activities for development [99]

(b) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.14 and L.54

Afternoon*- 6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 2

Informal consultations under the chairmanship of Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon) and Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia) and Mr. Garfield Barnwell (Guyana), Vice-Chairmen of the Second Committee, to hear reports by each of the facilitators on all outstanding draft resolutions and to take action, *ad referendum*, on those draft proposals that are ready for adoption

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* Following the adjournment of the 38th meeting of the Second Committee.

FIFTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 1 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda item 123 (Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 (A/56/6 and Corr.1, A/56/7, A/56/16, A/C.5/56/10/Rev.1 and A/C.5/56/11/Rev.2))

2 p.m.	34th meeting	Conference Room 3

1. Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [131] (A/56/495 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/56/501 and A/56/665)

Conclusion of general discussion

2. Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [132] (A/56/497 and Add.1, A/56/265, A/56/500 and A/56/666)

Conclusion of general discussion

3. Financing of the United Nations peacekeeping forces in the Middle East [134]

(b) United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon

Introduction of draft resolution A/C.5/56/L.17

Afternoon*- 4.30 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

Informal consultations on agenda items 137 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea (A/56/610 and A/56/661)), 131 (Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 (A/56/495 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/56/501, and A/56/665)) and 132 (Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 (A/56/497 and Add.1, A/56/265, A/56/500 and A/56/666))

6 p.m. 9 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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* Following the adjournment of the 34th meeting of the Fifth Committee.

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subjects

1. Revised estimates: effect of changes in rates of exchange and inflation

2. Second performance report

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMISSION FOR SOCIAL DEVELOPMENT ACTING AS THE PREPARATORY COMMITTEE FOR THE SECOND WORLD ASSEMBLY ON AGEING

Resumed first session

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	8th meeting	Conference Room 1

1. Election of a Vice-Chairman [1]

2. Organization of work (E/CN.5/2001/PC/L.10) [2]

3. Preparations for the Second World Assembly on Ageing (E/CN.5/2001/PC/L.9) [3]

3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	informal consultations	Conference Room 1

Informal consultations on the draft outcome document for the World Assembly on Ageing (E/CN.5/2001/PC/L.9)

United Nations Children's Fund

EXECUTIVE BOARD

Second regular session for 2001

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	1st meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber
3 p.m. - 6 p.m.	2nd meeting	Economic and Social Council Chamber

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GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Informal consultations on draft proposals under item 20 and its sub-items will be conducted by H.E. Mr. Hubert Wurth (Luxembourg) on Monday, 10 December 2001, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE

On Monday, 10 December 2001, there will be meetings of interested delegations on the following draft proposals:

Conference Room 8: A/C.2/56/L.13 (item 99 (a)), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Room C-209B: A/C.2/56/L.39 and L.40 (item 102), from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room 2: A/C.2/56/L.11 (item 98 (a)), from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room B: A/C.2/56/L.24 (item 97 (b)), from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.;

Conference Room B: A/C.2/56/L.41 (item 98 (f)), from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m.;

Room S-1527A: A/C.2/56/L.30 (item 104), from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.;

Conference Room 8: A/C.2/56/L.13 (item 99 (a)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.;

Conference Room 6: A/C.2/56/L.37 (item 95 (a)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. ;

Conference Room B: A/C.2/56/L.17/Rev.1 (item 98 (c)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.;

Room C-209B: A/C.2/56/L.25 (item 96 (b)), from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m.;

Room to be announced: A/C.2/56/L.26 (item 96 (a)), from 3 p.m. to 5 p.m.; and

Room S-1527A: A/C.2/56/L.39 and L.40 (item 102), from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Delegations are still requested to consult the blackboard outside of Conference Room 6 for any changes in the schedule for these consultations.

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Monday, 10 December 2001

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on the World Summit for Sustainable Development)

9 a.m. - 9.45 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 7

GROUP OF 77 OF THE SECOND COMMITTEE
(on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.26 (item 96 (a) (Business and development)); and draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.30 (UNITAR); on agenda item 97 (b) (Human resources development))

10 a.m. - 1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

GROUP OF 77
(briefing on special meeting of the General Assembly on information and communication technologies)

1.15 p.m. - 2.15 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 4

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There will be a meeting of JUSCANZ *(Ageing)* on Monday, 10 December 2001, from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m. in Conference Room A.

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) and the World Trade Organization (WTO) are jointly organizing a workshop on international trade negotiations, as part of their International Trade Series. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Monday, 10 December 2001, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 3 p.m. to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 9. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603, tel.: 963-9684 and 963-9196).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Tuesday, 11 December 2001

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

10 a.m. 83rd PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Building a peaceful and better world through sport and the Olympic ideal: draft resolution (A/56/L.47) [23]
2. Multilingualism [32]
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/656)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.44)
3. Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies [35]
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/499, A/56/611)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.46)
4. The situation in Central America: procedures for the establishment of a firm and lasting peace and progress in fashioning a region of peace, freedom, democracy and development [44]
   (a) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/56/391, A/56/416)
   (b) Note by the Secretary-General (A/56/273)
   (c) Draft resolutions (A/56/L.42, A/56/L.45)
5. Towards global partnerships [39]
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/323 and Corr.1)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/56/L.33)

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE			FIFTH COMMITTEE		
10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 6	10 a.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
			2 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5
3 p.m.	39th meeting	Conference Room 2	6 p.m.	informal consultations (closed)	Conference Room 5

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10
3 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Informal consultations on agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance)

Open-ended informal consultations on the draft resolution on the safety and security of humanitarian personnel and protection of United Nations personnel, under agenda item 20, organized by the delegation of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), will be held on Tuesday, 11 December 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. All delegations are invited to attend.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Bureau of the Commission on the Status of Women invites delegations to propose names for panellists to participate in the forty-sixth session of the Commission on the Status of Women (4-15 March 2002). There will be two panels focusing on the following thematic issues being taken up by the Commission: (1) Eradicating poverty, including through the empowerment of women throughout their life cycle in a globalizing world; and (2) Environmental management and mitigation of natural disasters: a gender perspective. Delegations are kindly requested to submit names and curricula vitae to the Division for the Advancement of Women, by hand-delivery to room DC2-1260, by fax ((212)-963-3463); or by e-mail (daw@un.org), no later than Friday, 14 December 2001.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The revised draft outcome document of the International Conference on Financing for Development, which has been prepared by the Facilitator, Mr. Mauricio Escanero, is available on the Financing for Development Web site <http://www.un.org/esa/ffd>. Hard copies of the text may be obtained from the Financing for Development Coordinating Secretariat (room DC2-2386).

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At the informal meeting held on Friday, 7 December 2001, the Chairperson of Working Group II of the Disarmament Commisison dealing with agenda item 5 (Practical confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms) distributed the information provided by delegations on documents and meetings on existing confidence-building measures in the field of conventional arms. Copies of the information are available at the Department of Disarmament Affairs with Mr. Nazir Kamal (room S-3170F; tel.: (212) 963-6195), as well as with the Chairperson, Ms. Gabriela Martinic, Permanent Mission of Argentina (tel.: (212) 688-6300, extensions 226 and 224). The Chairperson would also like to remind all delegations that they might submit further information.

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Briefing

There will be a briefing on "Older Workers and Population Ageing, Employment and Social Protection Issues", organized by the International Labour Organization (ILO), on Tuesday, 11 December 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6. The speakers will be Michael Cichon, Chief of the Financial, Actuarial and Statistical Services Branch of the Social Protection Sector, ILO, and Mariangels Fortuny, Focal Point on Ageing, In Focus Programme on Skills, Knowledge and Employability, ILO. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Caroline Lewis (tel.: (212) 697-0150, ext. 102).

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Briefing

In conjunction with the resumed session of the Preparatory Committee for the Second World Assembly on Ageing, there will be a briefing on the theme "Bringing Health and Ageing into the Development Agenda - the WHO Experience", sponsored by the World Health Organization, on Tuesday, 11 December 2001, from 1.15 p.m. to 2.45 p.m. in Conference Room 8. Dr. Alex Kalache, Coordinator, Ageing and Life Course, WHO, Geneva, will be the presenter. Dr. Martha Pelaez, Regional Advisor on Ageing, PAHO/WHO, and Ms. Irene Hoskins, Senior Technical Officer, Ageing and Life Course, WHO, Geneva, will be among the participants. Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Briefing

There will be a briefing, organized jointly by the Financing for Development Coordinating Secretariat and the delegation of Mexico, on the organizational arrangements for the forthcoming International Conference on Financing for Development (Monterrey (Mexico), 18-22 March 2002) on Friday, 14 December 2001, at 10 a.m. The conference room will be announced.

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Workshop

There will be a workshop on "Creating a Union in Africa and in Europe", jointly organized by the delegation of the European Union and the Permanent Observer of the Organization of the African Unity. The workshop, to be conducted in English, will take place on Wednesday, 12 December 2001, from 3 p.m. to 5.30 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber (tentatively).

A joint invitation letter, including a detailed information note, was addressed to all African Permanent Representatives and European Union Representatives to the United Nations, as well as to United Nations officers in charge of African matters. Registration deadline is Monday, 10 December. For further information, please contact Ms. Sherene Bailey (Organization of African Unity) (tel.: (212) 319-5490) or Ms. Anna Rode (European Union) (tel.: (212) 401-0160).

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Workshop

The United Nations Institute for Training and Research (UNITAR) is conducting a workshop on team development. This workshop, to be conducted in English, will be held on Tuesday, 18 December 2001, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., and on Wednesday, 19 December, from 9.45 a.m. to 1 p.m.

A letter on this subject, including a detailed information note, an outline of activities and a nomination form, was addressed to all Permanent Missions in New York. Members from United Nations agencies are also encouraged to apply. The registration deadline is Tuesday, 11 December. For further information, please contact Ms. Cecelia Coleman at UNITAR (room DC1-603; tel.: (212) 963-9684 and 963-9196).

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As from Monday, 3 December 2001, and for the rest of the month, the President of the Security Council will conduct informal briefings daily on the current work of the Council for Member States of the United Nations which are non-members of the Council, except on days on which no informal consultations are scheduled. The briefings will take place immediately following the adjournment of the informal consultations in the Press Briefing Room (S-226).

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Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling (212) 963-8530.

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Delegations who wish to make their statements available to the media at Headquarters are advised to provide 100 copies of these directly to the media office located on the third floor in the Secretariat Building (room S-348).

SUMMARY OF MEETINGS

Friday, 7 December 2001

SECURITY COUNCIL

4435th (private) meeting

Meeting of the Security Council with Troop Contributing Countries to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP) pursuant to resolution 1353 (2001), annex II, A

The Security Council met in private. At the close of the meeting, the following communiqué was issued by the Secretary-General in accordance with rule 55 of the provisional rules of procedure of the Council:

"On 7 December 2001, the Security Council, pursuant to Annex II, Section A of resolution 1353 (2001), held its 4435th meeting in private with the troop-contributing countries to the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (UNFICYP).

"The Security Council and the troop-contributing countries heard a briefing under rule 39 of its provisional rules of procedure by Mr. Joachim Hütter, Director of Europe and Latin America Division of the Department of Peacekeeping Operations.

"The members of the Council had a constructive exchange of views with representatives of participating troop-contributing countries."

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-sixth session

79th plenary meeting

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [21]

(a) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System: report of the Secretary-General (A/56/171)

(b) Cooperation between the United Nations and the International Organization of la Francophonie

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/390)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/56/L.34)

(c) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Council of Europe

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/302)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/56/L.31)

(d) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of the Islamic Conference

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/398)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/56/L.36)

(e) Cooperation between the United Nations and the League of Arab States

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/474)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/56/L.26)

(f) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Inter-Parliamentary Union

(i) Reports of the Secretary-General (A/55/996, A/56/449)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/56/L.35)

(g) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Community of Central African States

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/301)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/56/L.25/Rev.1)

h) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Economic Cooperation Organization

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/122)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/56/L.32)

(i) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe: report of the Secretary-General (A/56/125)

(j) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization of African Unity

(i) Report of the Secretary-General (A/56/489)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/56/L.37)

(k) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Preparatory Commission for the Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty Organization

(i) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Preparatory Commission (A/56/317)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/56/L.38)

(l) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Organization for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons

(i) Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Organization (A/56/490)

(ii) Draft resolution (A/56/L.30)

(m) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Pacific Islands Forum: draft resolution (A/56/L.29)

The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 21.

Statements were made by the representatives of Venezuela, Slovakia, the Russian Federation, Liechtenstein, Bangladesh and Pakistan.

The representative of the Netherlands made a statement in the course of which he introduced draft resolution A/56/L.30.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kenya, Namibia, Jamaica (on behalf of the Group of Latin American and Caribbean States), Mexico, Brazil, Chad, Latvia, Armenia and Dominica (on behalf of the Caribbean Community).

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 44/6 of 17 October 1989, the observer for the Council of Europe made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 48/5 of 13 October 1993, the Secretary-General for the Organization for Security and Cooperation in Europe made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 477 (V) of 1 November 1950, the observer for the League of Arab States made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 2011 (XX) of 11 October 1965, the observer for the Organization of African Unity made a statement.

Programme of work

The General Assembly was informed of the following additions to its programme of work: on Thursday, 13 December 2001, as the first item in the morning, the General Assembly will take up agenda item 14 (Report of the International Atomic Energy Agency) to consider draft resolution A/56/L.10 and the amendment thereto contained in document A/56/L.11; on the same morning, as the second item, the General Assembly will consider a number of draft resolutions under agenda item 20 (Strengthening of the coordination of humanitarian and disaster relief assistance of the United Nations, including special economic assistance) and its sub-items.

The Assembly was also informed that agenda item 37 (The role of diamonds in fuelling conflict), originally scheduled for the morning of Friday, 14 December 2001, was postponed to a later date.

80th plenary meeting

Cooperation between the United Nations and regional and other organizations [21]

(a) Cooperation between the United Nations and the Latin American Economic System: report of the Secretary-General (A/56/171)

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The General Assembly continued its consideration of agenda item 21.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 3369 (XXX) of 10 October 1975, the observer for the Organization of the Islamic Conference made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 33/18 of 10 November 1978 and decision 53/453 of 18 December 1998, the observer for the International Organization of la Francophonie made a statement.

In accordance with General Assembly resolution 55/161 of 12 December 2000, the Deputy Secretary-General of the Economic Community of Central African States made a statement.

Statements in explanation of vote before the vote were made by the representatives of the United States, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union) and Australia.

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.25/Rev.2 (resolution 56/39).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.26 (resolution 56/40).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.29 (resolution 56/41).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.30 (resolution 56/42).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.31 (resolution 56/43).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.32 (resolution 56/44).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.34 (resolution 56/45).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.35 (resolution 56/46).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.36 (resolution 56/47).

The General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.37 as orally corrected (resolution 56/48).

By 134 votes to 1, with 2 abstentions (recorded vote), the General Assembly adopted draft resolution A/56/L.38 (resolution 56/49).

The representative of New Zealand made a statement in explanation of vote after the vote.

The General Assembly decided to conclude its consideration of sub-items (b), (c), (d), (e), (g), (h), (j), (k), (l) and (m) of agenda item 21.

The General Assembly concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (f) of agenda item 21.

The Assembly was informed that other draft resolutions under sub-items (a) and (i) would be submitted at a later date.

Committees

SECOND COMMITTEE 37th meeting

Report of the Economic and Social Council [12]

Action on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.42

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), reported on the outcome of the informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.42.

The Committee adopted the draft decision A/C.2/56/L.42.

The representative of Japan made a statement.

Macroeconomic policy questions [95]

(a) Trade and development

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.35, L.38 and L.49

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.49, which was submitted by him on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.35 and L.38.

The Secretary of the Committee made a statement.

The Committee adopted the draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.49.

In light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.49, draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.35 and L.38 were withdrawn by its sponsors.

Environment and sustainable development: further implementation of the Programme of Action for the Sustainable Development of Small Island Developing States [98 (e)]

Action on draft resolutions A/C.2/56/L.16/Rev.1 and L.53

The Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), introduced draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.53, which he submitted on the basis of informal consultations held on draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.16/Rev.1.

The Committee adopted draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.53.

In the light of the adoption of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.53, draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.16/Rev.1 was withdrawn by its sponsors.

Macroeconomic policy questions [95]

Draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.33

The representatives of Kuwait and Qatar stated that had they been present at the time of the vote, they would have voted in favour of draft resolution.

Organization of work

The Chairman of the Committee made a statement.

The Vice-Presidents, Mr. Felix Mbayu (Cameroon) and Mr. Dharmansjah Djumala (Indonesia), and the Rapporteur, Ms. Jana Simonova (Czech Republic), reported on the status of their resolutions.

The representatives of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United States, New Zealand, Belgium (on behalf of the European Union), the Russian Federation, Cameroon and Sierra Leone made statements.

Additional sponsors

The Committee was informed that Canada and the United States of America had joined in sponsoring draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.15 (item 98 (b)).

Deadline for the submission of draft resolutions

At the request of the representative of the Islamic Republic of Iran, on behalf of the Group of 77 and China, the Committee agreed to postpone the deadline for the submission of draft proposals under item 106 on the least developed countries to 12 noon on Monday, 10 December 2001.

FIFTH COMMITTEE 33rd meeting

Financing of the International Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of the Former Yugoslavia since 1991 [131]

Financing of the International Criminal Tribunal for the Prosecution of Persons Responsible for Genocide and Other Serious Violations of International Humanitarian Law Committed in the Territory of Rwanda and Rwandan Citizens Responsible for Genocide and Other Such Violations Committed in the Territory of Neighbouring States between 1 January and 31 December 1994 [132]

The Committee began its consideration of these agenda items.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division introduced the reports of the Secretary-General (A/56/495 and Corr.1 and Add.1, A/56/501, A/56/665, A/56/497 and Add.1, A/56/265, A/56/500 and A/56/666).

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related reports of that Committee (A/56/665 and A/56/666) respectively.

Statements on the general discussion were made by the representatives of Belgium (on behalf of the European Union and also on behalf of Bulgaria, the Czech Republic, Estonia, Hungary, Latvia, Lithuania, Poland, Romania, Slovakia, Slovenia, Cyprus, Malta, Turkey and Liechtenstein), Canada (on behalf of Australia, New Zealand and Canada), the Russian Federation and China.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to questions raised.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

Financing of the United Nations Mission in Ethiopia and Eritrea [137]

The Committee began its consideration of this agenda item.

The report of the Secretary-General was before the Committee in document A/56/610.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/56/661).

In the absence of speakers, the Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this agenda item.

The Chairman informed the Committee that informal consultations on this agenda item would begin on Monday, 10 December, in the afternoon, under the chairmanship of Mr. Guillermo Kendall (Argentina).

Proposed programme budget for the biennium 2002-2003 [123]

Programme budget implications on draft resolutions

The Committee had before it the statements submitted by the Secretary-General on programme budget implications contained in documents A/C.5/56/20 and Corr.1, A/C.5/56/22, A/C.5/56/23 and A/C.5/56/24.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally introduced the related reports of that Committee.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution B contained in document A/56/21/Add.1: Development of an International Radio Broadcasting Capacity for the United Nations (A/C.5/56/20 and Corr.1)

Statements were made by the representatives of the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), the United States, Egypt, Canada and the Syrian Arab Republic.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to questions raised.

The representative of Cameroon also made a statement.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.69/Rev.1: Subregional Centre for Human Rights and Democracy in Central Africa (A/C.5/56/22)

Statements were made by the representatives of Cameroon, the United States and Canada.

The Director of the Programme Planning and Budget Division replied to questions raised.

The Chairman of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions also replied to questions raised.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.2/56/L.6: Office of the President of the Economic and Social Council (A/C.5/56/23)

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Cameroon.

Programme budget implications of draft resolution A/C.3/56/L.55: Situation of human rights in Myanmar (A/C.5/56/24)

No statements were made on this question.

The Chairman informed the Committee that consideration of the above programme budget implications would begin on that day, Friday, 7 December, in the afternoon, under the chairmanship of Mr. Eduardo Ramos (Portugal).

Organization of work

The representative of Austria, in his capacity as coordinator of agenda item 124 (Pattern of conferences), made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Egypt, the Syrian Arab Republic, Cuba, Cameroon and the Islamic Republic of Iran (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Secretary of the Committee replied to a question raised.

The Chairman made a statement.

AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE UNITED NATIONS RELIEF AND WORKS AGENCY FOR PALESTINE REFUGEES IN THE NEAR EAST

1st meeting

The Vice-President of the General Assembly opened the meeting and made a statement.

The Commissioner-General of UNRWA made an opening statement.

Statements and announcements of pledges were made by the following representatives or observers: Chile, Cyprus, Sweden, the Netherlands, Japan, Turkey, Spain, China, Norway, Malaysia, Bahrain, the United States, Switzerland, the Republic of Korea, France, Austria, Denmark, the United Kingdom, Luxembourg, Greece and Italy.

The observer of Palestine made a statement.

The Commissioner-General of UNRWA made a closing statement.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

International Year of Mountains

The global launch of the International Year of Mountains 2002 will take place on Tuesday, 11 December 2001, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 2. The former President of the Swiss Confederation, H.E. Mr. Adolf Ogi, will preside. Welcoming remarks will be made by H.E. Mr. Murari Raj Sharma, Vice-President of the fifty-sixth session of the General Assembly. Mr. Nitin Desai, Under-Secretary-General for Economic and Social Affairs, will make an address on behalf of the Secretary-General. Mr. Jacques Diouf, Director-General, Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations, will deliver a keynote address on the International Year of Mountains. Brief statements will be made by H.E. Mr. Kurmanbek Bakiev, Prime Minister of the Kyrgyz Republic, H.E. Mr. Alan Wagner, Ambassador of Peru to the United States and former Minister for Foreign Relations; Mr. Alberto Gagliardi, Under-Secretary of State for Regional Affairs, Prime Minister's Office, Italy; and Mr. Josef Plank, Secretary for Agriculture, Niederosterreich, Austria; and Mr. Louis Besson, Member of Parliament and Mayor of Chambéry, France. Mr. Nitin Desai will moderate a round table discussion, followed by a debate, on "Three Conditions for Sustainability in Mountain Development". Members of permanent missions, Secretariat staff, representatives of non-governmental organizations and the media are invited to attend.

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Chairmen of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of December 2001 has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
United Republic of Tanzania
H.E. Mr. Daudi Ngelautwa Mwakawago

Asian States:
Turkey
H.E. Mr. Mehmet Ümit Pamir

Eastern European States:
Latvia
H.E. Mr. Gints Jegermanif (designated)

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Jamaica
H.E. Miss Mignonette Patricia Durrant

Western European and other States:
Israel
H.E. Dr. Yehuda Lancry

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Presidency of the Security Council:

<http://www.un.org/Docs/sc/presidency>

President of the General Assembly:

<http://www.un.org/ga/president>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism:

<http://www.un.org/arabic/documents/SCCommittees/1373>

<http://www.un.org/chinese/aboutun/prinorgs/sc/committees/1373/1373.htm>

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<http://www.un.org/russian/documen/scdocs/committees/1373>

<http:// www.un.org/spanish/docs/comites/1373/index.html>

Indonesian chairmanship of the Preparatory Committee for the World Summit on Sustainable Development:

<http://www.indonesiamission-ny.org>

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